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NOTWITHSTANDING the fact that it is now costing the Government over \$600,000,000 a year to run itself, Mr. McKinley, in his message to Congress, says nothing about the importance of economy in public expenditures. The Fifty-first, or "billion dollar" Congress, was the starting-point of McKinley extravagance, when Mr. Reid was in the speaker and our President was chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means. The policy of Mr. McKinley's whole official life has been one of reckless extravagance and unnecessary expenditure. And his last message breathes the usual spirit that predominates his actions.

WITHOUT doubt the lynching and burning of the negro Richard Coleman at Mayville last week was the most horrible deed ever committed within the bounds of Kentucky. Our people have heard of a few other accounts of like nature, perhaps as bad, but they have been led to conclude themselves that such outrages did not happen in Kentucky, and we had grown to believe that our fair State was incapable of a crime of this kind. The worst feature of the whole affair is the report that "every member of that infuriated populace was a responsible citizen of good standing," and that the leaders and participants of the mob constituted the best and the paying element of Mason county. A special says the actions of the mob are generally endorsed. The negro crime was horrible, but his mode of punishment was still more horrible. His torture and burning was a disgrace to any civilized country, and will cast a stigma upon the fair name of Kentucky which it will take years to dispel.

The work of a mob of lynchers is generally deplored by the better element of citizens everywhere. The violence of mobs is the most despised form of justice, and yet their actions are not always without cause or reason. The lynchers say to themselves and to each other, "Now here is a person who we know is guilty and needs punishment of the most severe sort. If we trust him to the courts, perhaps he will get off free or with a light penalty. We will be sure of the matter and give him what he deserves right now." And they most generally over-reach the mark. The fear that the courts and juries will not mete out proper punishment is one of the greatest incentives to mob violence. Ohio county has never been disgraced by such an occurrence as this. Mob lynchings are a few more light verdicts are returned like unto those of the recent past for awful crimes. If a mob should lynch the next day, it would be a disgrace to the county, and a fellow-being in this country, who would doubt the cause of it?

REPUBLICANS WIN OUT.
Just as Tim Hitts anticipated and predicted two weeks ago, the State Board of Election Commissioners awarded the certificates of election to Mr. Taylor and his associates on the Republican ticket. Mr. Taylor was inaugurated as Governor of Kentucky yesterday. The other members of the ticket will assume their duties the first of the year.

Messrs. Pryor and Ellis, in their decision, assumed that they were simply sitting as a canvassing board, and that their powers were not judicial but ministerial. Therefore, acting as a board of canvassers merely, they could not decide to themselves power to go behind the election returns and correct irregularities found there. Poyntz dissents from the opinion of his colleagues and outlines his decision in a separate paper. No one need doubt the Democracy, honesty or sincerity of any member of the State Board. The signers of the majority report simply defined the law as they saw it, and acted with a conscientious impulse. Honesty was the predominating spirit of every member of the board. Later on, the members of this board (with the exception of Mr. Pryor, who it is said will resign) will sit as a Board of Contest, and after taking part, will be empowered to act upon the full returns of the election and decide who was and who was not elected.

As to whether Mr. Gobel and the other members of the Democratic ticket will contest for the offices for which the Republicans have secured certificates, is yet to be decided. A meeting has been called for tomorrow at Frankfort, embracing the members of the State campaign, State Central and Executive committees, when this matter will come up and some decisive action taken.

Perhaps there may have been those who thought that *The Herald* was a little unwise or premature, from its without foundation in fact. It

a democratic standpoint, in assuming the conditions and sentiments which we expressed two weeks ago. It is our aim, however, whenever expressed, to rise above the mere partisanship which dominates all parties nowadays and give the people the news, unbiased by political or personal views. We fought for the Democratic ticket as long as our words could have effect, and having done our best, we could do nothing further than submit the result as it gracefully as possible. Our Democracy has been in no wise affected by the result. We are ready to fight another Democratic battle along the same lines, and for the same reason, if such be.

WILL MEET TO-MORROW.
A Conference of All Democratic State Committees and Candidates at Frankfort.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 9.—Chairman J. C. B. Blackburn, of the Democratic State Campaign Committee, and Chairman Allen W. Young, of the State Central and Executive Committee, this afternoon called the largest and most important conference of Democratic party leaders that has been held in the State for some time. These three State committees, composed of about fifty members from all the district, will meet by special call in this city next Thursday afternoon. All those who were candidates on the State ticket will also be here by request.

The object of the conference of the supreme party authorities is to determine whether Senator Gobel and the rest of the State ticket should contest before the Legislature of the State Board, as the case may be. It is believed that the conference will demand the candidates waive any personal inclinations and contest for the good of the party. Until after this conference the candidates will not give further consideration to the question of a contest. Many letters and telegrams have already been received, urging that Senator Gobel contest before the Legislature.

The cause of this antipathy cannot be readily defined, but that it is a great and tangible foundation is generally admitted. It is as undeniable as it is unjust, and without any worthy justification. The people who compose a town or city are in the main drawn from the rural settlements and are on an average of the same passions and moral make-up as their brothers of the country. The property that extends to a town must of necessity extend to the country, and vice versa. The inhabitants of the country are not more virtuous in reality all one people, and a common destiny hangs over the whole. One could not exist in a healthy way without the other, and they are both dependent upon each other for whatever of good or evil, or good luck may be in store.

There seems to be a prevalent idea among some people who live in the country that town folks consider themselves better in mental or physical attainments than their rural neighbors. If this were true, it would be in reality all one people, and a common destiny hangs over the whole. One could not exist in a healthy way without the other, and they are both dependent upon each other for whatever of good or evil, or good luck may be in store.

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CERTIFICATES SIGNED

And Delivered to Republican Candidates—Tabulated Statement of the Vote.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 9.—Certificates of election were issued today to all the candidates on the Republican State ticket, the names only of Chairman Pryor and Capt. W. T. Ellis being attached. Mr. C. B. Poyntz said to the board that he would not sign the certificates, and his dissenting opinion was filed with that of the majority opinion.

Mr. C. P. Chennett, Secretary of the board, read the totals in all the races, showing the vote as follows:

FOR GOV. SEN.
Gobel 191,331
Taylor 188,714
Brown 12,440
Ellis 3,608
Submits 510

FOR LEGISLATIVE GOVERNOR.
Brookman 183,401
Marshall 181,371
Submits 10,194

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.
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HEADQUARTERS FOR HOLIDAY GOODS



* R. T. COLLINS' STORE *

Everything Suitable for Christmas You Will Find it Easy to Select Here.

We cannot too forcibly impress upon you the advisability of doing your Holiday shopping before the inevitable Christmas rush begins. The Holidays will present a busy scene at our store, and our best efforts will be put forth to give satisfactory results. Below we give a few hints to shoppers. Note the low prices.

Ladies' Christmas Furnishings. Extra line of Pocket Books, ranging in price, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

Ladies' Homestitch Handkerchiefs. 10c. Better quality 15c. Nice assortment over \$1.00. The designs of the well-known are depicted, but not regretted. Its use is generally endorsed and approved. The designs of the well-known are depicted, but not regretted. Its use is generally endorsed and approved.

Children's Department. We have a nice line of Toys, Dolls, both dressed and undressed, Slides, Wagons, Rocking Chairs, Rocking Horses, Games, Blocks, etc. Also a fine line of clothing for little ones. Bring them in to see.

Men's Furnishing Goods. 25c for men's Xmas Initial Handkerchiefs. 50c for men's Xmas Neckwear in fine quality of silk or satin, in all new shapes, styles and effects. 50c, 75c and \$1.00 for men's Oxford Mullers, all styles. A beautiful line of men's fancy Suspenders at popular prices.

Upholstery Department. A large and beautiful assortment of Xmas Rugs. Something new in this line. Portiers in prices to suit the times. (See them.) Lace Curtains 75c to \$3.50 per pair.

Colored Dress Goods. A handsome Dress Pattern makes a sensible Xmas present. See our line of Covert Cloths, Plaids, Serges, Novelty Suitings, Henriettas, Poppins, etc.

Comforts. Calico bed Comforts, fancy figured covering, 75c. Calico bed Comforts, fancy figured covering \$1.00. Extra line of white bed Spreads at 60c. Better quality 75c to \$2.00.

Shoes. Our Shoes for ladies, gents and children are the talk of the country. Call and examine our new line for Xmas. Ask to see our Red Top Shoes for little boys.

Blankets. Good 10-12 Blankets 40c. Better grade 50c, 60c and 65c. Good 11-14 Blankets 75c. Better grade \$1.25 up to \$5.00.

Cloaks. Our assortment of ladies' and misses Cloaks and Capes the Rocking Chairs, Onyx Tables, Cloaks are in all the new shades and styles. We have Caps in Broadcloth, Flannel and Gold effects.

We very respectfully invite you to call and examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere. We are sure to please you and assure you of the politest attention. We continue to give a Fine Picture with every \$10 purchase.

R. T. Collins, Hartford, Ky.

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Are you frequently hoarse? Do you have that annoying tickling in your throat? Would you feel relieved if you could relieve something? Does your cough annoy you at night, and do you raise more mucus in the morning?

Then you should always keep on hand a bottle of **Ayer's Cherry Pectoral**.

If you have a weak throat you cannot be too careful. The world knows that the best remedy for a weak throat is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It is a cure that is always true.

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WHY HE CURES.

The Greatest Specialist of the Time Gives Every Case His Personal Attention.

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